

To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 1824 without my signature.

While worthwhile, this bill fails to adequately address the costs associated with the provisions of the legislation.

There are currently hundreds of clinics that fall within the specified categories of exempt clinics in the bill that could opt to be licensed by the Department of Health Services (DHS). The expense to DHS to complete the licensing process for a clinic is approximately \$4000 per clinic. The revenues generated by DHS from the \$30 annual licensing fee for clinics will not offset the cost of implementing the provisions of this bill.

For these reasons I am returning this bill without my signature.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger